



**MINUTES**  
**WENTWORTH TOWN COUNCIL**  
July 12, 2022  
7:00 pm  
Wentworth Town Hall  
124 Peach Tree Road, Wentworth NC

The Wentworth Town Council held their regularly scheduled monthly meeting at the Wentworth Town Hall, on Tuesday, July 12, 2022 at 7:00pm.

**Council Members Present:** Mayor Dennis Paschal Jr., Mayor Pro Tem Evelyn Conner, Daryl Crowder, Cheryl Moore

**Council Members Absent:** Dennis Paschal III  
A quorum was met.

**Staff Present:** Yvonne Russell, Town Clerk & Finance Officer

**Others Present:** Ellis Martin, Attorney, Fox Rothschild LLP – Town of Wentworth  
Roy Sawyers – Rockingham Update (Media)

**Article I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Dennis Paschal, Jr. called the meeting to order.

**Article II. INVOCATION**

Mayor Paschal gave the invocation.

**Article III. APPROVAL OF TOWN COUNCIL AGENDA**

- A. Requests and Petitions of Citizens
- B. Approve/ Amend Agenda

Mayor Paschal made a **MOTION**, *“To approve the Agenda as written”*.

Mayor Pro Tem Evelyn Conner seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

**Article IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- A. Town Council Meeting – June 7, 2022
- B. Town Council Meeting – June 16, 2022

Mayor Paschal made a **MOTION**, *“The minutes be approved as written”*.

Mayor Pro Tem Conner seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

**Article V. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Consideration of Vending Machines at Wentworth Park**

**Yvonne Russell, Town Clerk & Finance Officer** informed Council that she spoke with Chrissy Austin at Coca-Cola Bottling Company about placing a vending machine at the Wentworth Park.

**Ms. Russell** explained that Coca-Cola Bottling will keep a beverage machine at the Park as long as the Town of Wentworth buys products to place in the machine. If the Town does not place an order for drinks within a year's time, Coca-Cola Bottling will remove the machine from the Park.

**Ms. Russell** mentioned a phone call she received today from someone alerting the Town of issues with vending machines, such as customers needing change or losing their money in the machine.

**Ms. Russell** said she emailed Ms. Austin today to find out if a sign can be placed on the machine with Coca-Cola Bottling's contact information to report lost change, but she has not received a reply.

**Mayor Paschal** made a **MOTION**, *"We approve getting a vending machine at the Park after Yvonne checks on and is comfortable with the process of getting returns."*

**Councilmember Cheryl Moore** seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

**Article VI. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Consideration of Budget Amendment No 1 for Fiscal Year 2022-2023, Re-Appropriation of Funds for Repairs at Wentworth Consolidated School Site**

**Mayor Paschal** gave an update on repairs at the Wentworth Consolidated School. He reported that the following work has been completed for the cost of approximately \$6,100.00:

- Emergency Lights have been repaired and/or installed
- Vegetation has been removed from around the gym's exterior
- Drains have been cleaned out, and clogs removed

**Mayor Paschal** said replacement of the gym windows and repair of gym doors needs to happen soon. He'd also like to get a quote for repairs at the ball field.

**Mayor Paschal** made a **MOTION**, *"We approve Budget Amendment No. 1 for Fiscal Year 2022-2023."*

**Mayor Pro Tem Conner** seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

(Note: A Copy of Budget Amendment No 1 for FY22-23 is herein incorporated and made a part of these minutes.)

**TOWN OF WENTWORTH  
WENTWORTH, NORTH CAROLINA  
BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 1  
FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2022 – JUNE 30, 2023**

**7/12/22**

**MEMORANDUM**

**To: Mayor and Town Council**  
**From: Yvonne Russell, Town Clerk & Budget-Finance Officer**  
**Date: July 11, 2022**  
**RE: Budget Amendment No. 1**

The first Budget Amendment for the year reflects a re-appropriation of funds that were budgeted in FY21-22 for Repairs at the Wentworth Consolidated School Site, but were not spent.

The attached Budget Amendment shows an *increase* in General Fund Revenues: Fund Balance Appropriated in the amount of \$43,944.00, and an *increase* in General Fund Expenditures: Capital Outlay/Property Improvements in the amount of \$43,944.00.

**AMENDED General Fund Total Budget Dollars — \$913,544.00**

Recommended by:

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Yvonne Russell, Clerk & Budget-Finance Officer

Attachment: Details of Budget Amendment No. 1, FY 2022-2023

**TOWN OF WENTWORTH**  
**Budget Amendment No. 1**  
**Fiscal Year 2022 - 2023**

7/12/22

**SECTION 1 – General Fund**

General Fund Revenues:	Budget FY 2022-2023	Amendment No. 1
Sales and Use Tax	715,000	No Change
Utility Franchise Tax	110,000	No Change
Alcoholic Beverage Tax	11,000	No Change
Interest on Investments	350	No Change
Other Revenue	0.00	No Change
Rent	33,250	No Change
Fund Balance Appropriated	0.00	<b>+43,944</b>
<b>Total Estimated General Fund Revenues</b>	<b>869,600</b>	<b>913,544</b>

General Fund Expenditures:	Budget 2023 - 2023	Amendment No. 1
<b>General Government</b>	<b>696,589</b>	<b>740,533</b>
<b>Public Health &amp; Safety</b>		
Animal Control	10,000	No Change
Law Enforcement	63,916.00	No Change
Law Enforcement Equip.	3,512	No Change
Misc. Public Health & Safety	17,483	No change
<b>Public Health &amp; Safety Total:</b>	<b>94,911</b>	<b>No Change</b>
<b>Cultural &amp; Recreational</b>	<b>49,000</b>	<b>No Change</b>
<b>Contingency Reserve</b>	<b>20,000.00</b>	<b>No Change</b>
<b>Economic Development</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>	<b>No Change</b>
Rockingham Co PEG Channel	8,100	No Change
<b>Total Estimated General Fund Expenditures</b>	<b>869,600</b>	<b>913,544</b>

Approved by Council the 12<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2022.

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**R. Dennis Paschal, Jr.**  
**Mayor**

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Yvonne Russell, NCCMC**  
**Town Clerk**

TOWN OF WENTWORTH  
 Budget Amendment No. 1  
 FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023  
 GENERAL FUND

REVENUE	Coming Year	
	Budget FY 2022 - 2023	Amendment No. 1 FY 2022 - 2023
<b>INCOME ACCOUNT</b>		
Sales and Use Tax	\$715,000.00	\$715,000.00
Utility Franchise Tax	\$110,000.00	\$110,000.00
Alcoholic Beverage Tax	\$11,000.00	\$11,000.00
Sale of Promotional Items	\$0.00	\$0.00
Interest on Investments	\$350.00	\$350.00
Sale of Town Property	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Revenues	\$0.00	\$0.00
Rent	\$33,250.00	\$33,250.00
Transfer from Capital Reserve Fund for Recreation Grounds/Facilities	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Revenue Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$869,600.00</b>	<b>\$869,600.00</b>
Fund Balance Appropriation	\$0.00	<b>\$43,944.00</b>
<b>Total Estimated General Fund Revenues</b>	<b>\$869,600.00</b>	<b>\$913,544.00</b>

<b>Total Estimated General Fund Expenditures</b>	<b>\$869,600.00</b>	<b>\$913,544.00</b>
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TOWN OF WENTWORTH  
 Budget Amendment No. 1  
 FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023  
 GENERAL FUND

Object of Expenditures	Coming Year	
	Budget FY 2022 - 2023	Amendment No 1 FY 2022 - 2023
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT:</b>		
<b>Capital Outlay</b>		
Office Furniture/Equipment	\$250.00	\$250.00
Property Acquisition	\$0.00	\$0.00
Property Improvements	\$6,000.00	<b>\$49,944.00</b>
Debt Service	\$93,531.00	\$93,531.00
Transfer to Capital Proj Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$99,781.00</b>	<b>\$143,725.00</b>
<b>Personnel Costs</b>		
Bond Insurance	\$600.00	\$600.00
Disability Insurance	\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00
Medical Insurance	\$15,200.00	\$15,200.00
Workman's Comp Insurance	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Gross Salaries	\$121,272.00	\$121,272.00
Employer Taxes (FICA)	\$12,130.00	\$12,130.00
Unemployment Insurance	\$0.00	\$0.00
Payroll Services	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
Retirement	\$5,900.00	\$5,900.00
Longevity	\$1,780.00	\$1,780.00
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$165,282.00</b>	<b>\$165,282.00</b>
<b>Travel</b>		
Lodging/Meals/Mileage	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Schools/Conference Fees	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$10,000.00</b>	<b>\$10,000.00</b>
<b>PAGE 2 -- SUBTOTAL:</b>	<b>\$275,063.00</b>	<b>\$319,007.00</b>

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FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023  
GENERAL FUND

Object of Expenditures	Coming Year	
	Budget FY 2022 - 2023	Amendment No 1 FY 2022 - 2023
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT:</b>		
<b>Other Operating Costs</b>		
<b>Administration:</b>		
Mayor / Council	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00
Miscellaneous	\$2,300.00	\$2,300.00
Advertising	\$1,700.00	\$1,700.00
Bank Charges	\$500.00	\$500.00
Dues/Membership Fees	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Equipment Leases/Service	\$3,850.00	\$3,850.00
Miscellaneous OOC	\$164,276.00	\$164,276.00
<b>Office:</b>		
Office Supplies	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
Postage	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00
<b>Professional Services:</b>		
Attorney Fees	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00
Accounting Audit Fees	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00
Board of Elections	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Professional Services	\$250.00	\$250.00
Planning & Zoning	\$55,950.00	\$55,950.00
Publications	\$400.00	\$400.00
<b>Technology Services:</b>		
Computer/ Software Support	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Internet/Phone/TV	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00
Website Hosting	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00
<b>Town Property</b>		
Insurance	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00
Maintenance	\$60,000.00	\$60,000.00
Utilities	\$36,400.00	\$36,400.00
<b>O.O.C. Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$421,526.00</b>	<b>\$421,526.00</b>
<b>PAGE 3 -- SUBTOTAL:</b>	<b>\$421,526.00</b>	<b>\$421,526.00</b>

TOWN OF WENTWORTH  
Budget Amendment No. 1  
FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023  
GENERAL FUND

Object of Expenditure	Coming Year	
	Budget FY 2022 - 2023	Amendment No 1 FY 2022 - 2023
<b>General Government Total:</b>	<b>\$696,589.00</b>	<b>\$740,533.00</b>
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>		
Animal Control	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
Law Enforcement	\$63,916.00	\$63,916.00
Law Enforcement Equipment	\$3,512.00	\$3,512.00
Miscellaneous	\$17,483.00	\$17,483.00
<i>ReDirections</i>	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
<i>SADD</i>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<i>Fire Department</i>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<i>NC Highway Patrol</i>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<i>Code Red</i>	\$700.00	\$700.00
<i>Help Inc/ Square One</i>	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
<i>Other</i>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<i>Committee of 100 (Food Drive)</i>	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
<i>CrimeStoppers</i>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<i>Project SAFE Rockingham Co</i>	\$783.00	\$783.00
<i>Rockingham United</i>	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$94,911.00</b>	<b>\$94,911.00</b>
<b>CULTURAL &amp; RECREATIONAL</b>		
Special Events	\$17,500.00	\$17,500.00
Appearance Committee	\$500.00	\$500.00
Historical Committee	\$500.00	\$500.00
Recreation Committee	\$500.00	\$500.00
Fine Arts Festival Assoc. (FAFA)	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
Friends of Chingua Penn Trail	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
MARC	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
RCHS Band Boosters	\$0.00	\$0.00
RCMS Band	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
RCHS Boosters	\$0.00	\$0.00
Rockingham Co Arts Council	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Wentworth PTA Ball Program	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
Other	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$49,000.00</b>	<b>\$49,000.00</b>

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 GENERAL FUND

Object of Expenditure	Coming Year	
	Budget FY 2022 - 2023	Amendment No 1 FY 2022 - 2023
CONTINGENCY RESERVE		
Subtotal:	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT		
Subtotal:	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Rockingham Co PEG Channel Program:		
Subtotal:	\$8,100.00	\$8,100.00
PAGE 4 -- SUBTOTAL:	\$173,011.00	\$173,011.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	\$869,600.00	\$913,544.00

**Article VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No one signed the speaker register for public comments.

**Article VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Paschal made the following announcements:

- The next regular meeting of the **Wentworth Planning Board** is scheduled for **Tuesday, July 19, 2022**, at **7:00 pm** at the Wentworth Town Hall.
- The next regular meeting of the **Wentworth Town Council** is scheduled for **Tuesday, August 2, 2022**, at **7:00 pm** at the Wentworth Town Hall.

**Article IX. ADJOURN**

Mayor Paschal made a **MOTION**, "*We adjourn*".

Mayor Pro Tem Conner seconded the motion, and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted By:

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 Yvonne Russell, NCCMC  
 Town Clerk

Approved By:

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 Dennis Paschal, Jr.

Mayor